of the Indian Drugs and Pharmaceuticals Limited, were terminated before the expiry of his contract as also of Shri K. V. Pai, the Marketing Services Controller, Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Limited with effect from 28th August, 1991; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) and (b) Shri S. S. Suri was, after his superannuation, engaged as a Cansultant in IDPL. The engagement of Shri Suri was discontinued at his own request. Shri K. V. Pai, after his superannuation, engaged on a retainer basis in IDPL. The retainership was discontinued 3 days in advance of the expiry of the contractual period, on completion of the work|assignment.

Part assessment of Drug Companies

3074. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA:
CHOWDHARY RAM SEWAK:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 670 given in the Rajya Sabha on 28th November, 1991 and state:

(a) what are the names of the Companies against whom part assessment has been made;

(b) what is the date upto which assessment in each case is to be made and what are the reasons for delay;

(c) what are the details of cases for which assessment has been made from 1st January, 1991 to 30th November, 1991;

(d) what are the details of amount recovered after 31st December, 1990 upto today;

(e) whether it is a fact that in number of non Supreme Court cases Government have not even so far initiated the process of assessment; and

(f) if so, names of those Companies, when the last notice was sent to them for calling for data and what is the present status of each?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN) (a) to (c), (e) and (f) The process of assessment entails scrutiny of relevent data reg ding production, sale and sale prices and the delay has occurred on account of non-receipt of requisite data from the companies in a number of cases. All efforts are being made to finalise the assessments as quickly as possible. Detailed information has already been given in the statement annexed to the answer relating to the referred question.

(d) No amount has been recovered during the last one year.

Recovery of arrears from drug Companies

3075. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN:
SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 670 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 28th November, 1991 and state:

(a) what are the names of his companies who have asked for personal hearing;

(b) when each sought personal hearing;

(c) what are the details of cases where personal hearing was given and when each hearing was given;

(d) what are the names of companies to whom notices have been given to discharge their liability and when each notice was sent;

(e) what are the details of response received from each company;

(f) whether Government have processed any action against the defaulters for recovery of amount as arrears of land revenue alongwith interest based on the notice given to them; and

(g) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (e) The information will be compiled and laid on the Table of the House, as soon as possible.

(f) and (g) The matter is still under consideration.

Notices issued for recovery of due amounts from M/s. May and Baker and M/s. Cadila

3076. SHRIMATI SATYA BAHIN :
SHRI MOHD. KHALEELUR RAHMAN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1579 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 12th September, 1991 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that both M/s. May and Baker and M/s. Cadila have been issued notices for recovery of amounts due in respect of Metronidazole and Dexamethasone;

(b) if so, when and what are the details of notices;

(c) whether it is also a fact that M/s. Merind has alleged about discrimination;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether it is a fact that Government have allowed M/s. Cadila price of Rs. 196 per gm. for Dexamethasone against the allowable price of Rs. 51.30 and M/s. and Baker Rs. 546 per kg. for Metranidazole against the allowable price of Rs. 380 per kg.;

(f) if so, what steps have been taken to investigate the matter; and

(g) what was the production of Metranidazole of M/s. May and Baker and Dexamethasone of M/s. Cadila during the last three years, yearwise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) and (b) No, Sir. The letters were issued to M/s. May and Baker and M/s. Cadila Laboratories regarding submission of data relating to opening stock, production, sales, consumption, closing stock and prices charged for Metronidazole and Dexamethasone respectively. The data is still awaited.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) and (f) The position will be known only after getting the above mentioned data from the companies.

(g) To the extent information available, only after getting the above mentioned zole by M/s. May and Baker and of Dexamethasone by M/s. Cadila Laboratories during the last three years are given below:

S.No.	Name of the bulk drug	Production 1987-88	1988-89	1989-90
1	2	3	4	5
(1)	Metronidazole (in MT)	14·45	25·39	14·26
(2)	Dexamethasone (in Kg)	94	85	93*

*Estimated.